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RESPONSE TO JANUARY 15, 2004 OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests consideration of this response to the non-final Office Action mailed January 15, 2004.

Response to clarify the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Enclosed, with duplicate, is Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) with check for \$475.00 in payment of Patent Application Extension Fees being Extension of response within third month (Small Entity).

For better understanding, also enclosed is Information Disclosure Statement by Applicant listing three attached papers.